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OF CELLS WITH VIRAL VECTORS

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action on the merits mailed May 15, 2007 ("the OA"), Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A Notice of Appeal was filed October 15, 2007. Accordingly, this RCE amendment and response is timely filed.

This response is accompanied by a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, thus, Applicants are entitled to have this first submission for this RCE entered and considered on the merits.

**Amendment to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.

The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- Transmittal letter,
- Request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114;
- PTO 413A Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form.